



9TH AUGUST, 2026

**19TH SUNDAY YEAR A**

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E-mail: tolworth@rcaos.org.uk □ www.olonline.co.uk □ **PARISH OFFICE:** Mon-Fri from 10am to 2pm□ **PARISH PRIEST:** Fr. Michael Ezenwammadu, CSSp, michaelenzenwammadu@rcaos.org.uk□ **CURATE:** Fr Bonaventure Ssebyanzi CSSp, bonaventuressebyanzi@rcaos.org.uk □ **SECRETARY:** Mrs Denise Kidd**Immediately...**

None of us go through life completely un-battered and unscathed. The storms of life assail and break us. It comes to everyone and it can come unexpectedly, without warning. Noticeably, the word “immediately” is used twice in the Gospel story. This word is significant not only because it reminds us that storms can happen without prediction but that God attends to us immediately. This is significant for us to remember when storm comes. The main reason that Jesus immediately decided to defy all odds and walk in the water is because he wanted to be with his disciples immediately. Jesus doesn’t want them to be alone and fight the terrific storm alone. He defies nature and walks to them. Remember that whenever you are caught in one of life’s storms, Jesus will immediately defy everything for your sake. He will come to you immediately. That is his promise. He may not immediately calm every storm, but he will be with you in the midst of every single storm. Further, when Peter lost faith and focused on Jesus and started sinking, in a panic, he cries out: “Lord, save me!” Immediately, Jesus reaches out his hand and catches Peter. He gave Peter no rebuke or punishment for losing faith and focus. The focus of Jesus is to instantly save us and not to punish us. Remember this when you pray during your storm. Storms are not rebuke or punishments. Remember that God does not care how we behave during storm, He is only interested in being with us and saving us. When the storm of life bashes us, we can become afraid and lose faith. There is nothing wrong with being afraid. Our Lord wants to hear from us and He will always help us. **Fr. Michael**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 9 AUGUST — 16 AUGUST 2026**Sat 08 18.30:** Joe Kibrango (Birthday thanksgiving).**Sun 09 09.00:** Shannen Emmett & David Butler (Happy Marriage) (*H Emmett*)**11.00:** Bernard Chan – WB (*C Y*)**18.00:** Anna Roboua – 70th Birthday**St. Laurence, Deacon, Martyr - Feast****Mon 10 09.30:** MGC Fernando – RIP (*M Corsin*)**Tues 11 09.30:** Felicita WC Ko – RIP (*L Ko*)**19.00:** Michael Feery (RIP).**Wed 12 09.30:** Josephine Sebastian Pillai (*C Nagrendan*)**19.00:** Lily Ko (wellbeing).**Thurs 13 07.00:** V. Iweka (private intentions)**09.30:** Theresa M Chan-Ko – RIP (*L Ko*)**Fri 14 07.00:** Suresh and Mary family (God’s blessing and protection)**09.30:** Catherine Yap (wellbeing).**Sat 15 09.00:** Benjamin & Esther (God’s blessing on their marriage)**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Solemnity****Sat 15 18.30:** Mary Kelly – RIP (*Houston Family*)**Sun 16 09.00:** Patrick Grogan – RIP (*P Grogan*)**11.00:** Alexius Yap – RIP (*C Y*)**18.00:** People of the Parish

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew, Deacon Al Callan, Martin Dray, George Trutwein, Rita Reginald, Ian Beard, Tony Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost, Hazel D’Aguiar, Allan Cook, Wendy Cook, Kathleen O’Connell, Ralph Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones, Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague, Mark Draper, Tim Ryan, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Lionel Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie Briandt, Sue Jones, John Brennan, Martin Guy, John Keane, Alice Rooney & Susan Rooney.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:**MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):****SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:****ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:****OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:****OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:****SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL****YOUTH MASS****MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM****MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM****SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm****TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses****WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses****FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass****FIRST FRIDAY - of the month****LAST SUNDAY of the month**

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

Cf. Ps 73: 20, 19,
22, 23

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *(And, striking their breast, they say:)* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. **Amen**

Gloria: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Opening Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

First Reading

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

In those days: Elijah reached Horeb, the mount of God. There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him. And he said, 'Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD.' And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm; Ps 85(84):9ab, 11-12. 13-14. R8

Show us, O LORD, your mercy, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the LORD God speaks; he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful. His salvation is near for those who fear him, and his glory will dwell in our land. **R**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have kissed. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth, and justice look down from heaven. **R**

The LORD will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase. Righteousness will march before him, and guide his steps on the way. **R**

Second Reading

Romans 9:1-5

Brothers and Sisters: I am speaking the truth in Christ. I am not lying. My conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers and sisters, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed for ever. **Amen.**

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 130(129):5

Alleluia, alleluia. I long for you, O Lord, my soul longs for his word. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

After the crowd had eaten and were satisfied: Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, 'It is a ghost!' and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.' And Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, 'Lord, save me.' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, 'O you of little faith, why did you doubt?' And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**

Bidding Prayers

Priest: Lord, you saved Peter when he called out to you for help. Today, we also bring you ourselves, our prayers, hopes, dreams and everyone in our fragile world.

Reader: Peter called upon Jesus at a moment of great need. May Pope Leo and all religious leaders find, in Jesus, the support and wisdom to guide those who depend on them. **Lord in your mercy.**

Reader: We pray for our world, especially remembering the regions facing devastation from wildfires and earthquakes. May the Lord strengthen and bring relief to who affected. **Lord in your mercy.**

Reader: We pray for all those who are sick and troubled, perhaps feeling overwhelmed by the storms of life. May the Lord's hand grant them courage and peace. **Lord in your mercy.**

Reader: We pray for peacemakers. May their work bring a just and lasting end to conflict, wherever it might be. May there be an end to wars and bloodshed. **Lord in your mercy.**

Reader: We pray for all young people during this holiday season. May they be surrounded by love so that they learn to share it with all people. **Lord in your mercy.**

Reader: We pray for all our dead especially Michael Feery and those whose anniversary occur at this time. Eternal rest give unto them O Lord and let thy perpetual light shine upon them and may they rest in peace. **Amen**

Reader: We ask our blessed Mother Mary to intercede for us as we pray. Hail Mary....

Reader: In the silence of our heart, we bring our other intentions to our loving God.

Priest: Father, hear the prayers we offer in faith.

Calm our fears, strengthen our hope, and draw us ever closer to your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer over the Offerings: Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 147: 12, 14

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Prayer after Communion: May the communion in your Sacrament that we have consumed, save us, O Lord, and confirm us in the light of your truth. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEW AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulation to Martin and Suresh that made their first commitment as lay members of the Spiritan order on Friday. The celebration of their commitment will be done later after the summer. May God bless them in their vocation and service to God.

The second collection for this weekend is to support our young people for the trip to the world youth day in South Korea. Thanks for your support.

Obituary: Michael Feery, our beloved parishioner recently passed away. His funeral will be on Thursday, 13th of August at 11.30. May his soul rest in peace

Fr. Michael's email address has changed. It is now michaelezenwammadu@rcaos.org.uk instead of michaelezenwammandu@rcaos.org.uk. There is no longer the letter "n" before the letter "d". Sorry for the inconvenience.

Fr. Michael is away from the Parish from the 18th of August to the 1st of September. Please, see him as soon as you can if you have anything to sort out with him within this period.

Sunday 16th August: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The 11am Mass will be a solemn Mass with professional singers joining us to provide splendid music. Details of the music can be found on the parish music facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61585014980305>

Please do come to celebrate this great feast.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL – LETTER WRITING EVENT; This deeply flawed Bill is being voted on again in Parliament on 11th September. Hand writing letters to our MP about our serious concerns is known to be very effective. We are therefore holding letter writing events here in OLI after the 9am and 11am Masses on 16th August and after the 9am Mass on 23rd. All are welcome to join us in the Hall and Old Chapel, letter, paper, pens, stamps and envelopes will be provided.

Are you interested to become a Lay Spiritan Associate? Kindly pick a form at the back of the Church and we will contact you.

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT 2026

50km Sponsored Walk | Target Achieved

We are delighted to share that the Tolworth Trekkers appeal has now reached **100% of its fundraising target**, thanks to the extraordinary generosity of parishioners, friends and supporters. The appeal attracted nearly **140 donations**, helping to raise vital funds for this year's charities. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated, shared the appeal and encouraged the walkers along the way.

Rose's Art Raises Over £1,200 A huge congratulations to Rose, whose artwork fundraising initiative has raised an incredible **£1,212.75** for the Lenten Project charities. Rose's creativity, generosity and commitment have been an inspiration to us all. She will formally present her artwork to Fr Michael and Fr Bonaventure at the **9am Mass on Sunday 12 July**. We thank Rose and her family for their outstanding contribution to this year's appeal.

African-Caribbean Night Raises Over £5,400: The African-Caribbean Charity Night was another tremendous success, raising an impressive **£5,415.27** towards this year's Lenten Project charities. Our sincere thanks to everyone who attended, volunteered, donated prizes, purchased food and refreshments, or supported the event in any way.

Special thanks go to the 9am Tea & Coffee Group for their donation, the winners of the **1st and 3rd prize scratch cards**, William and Daksha, who generously donated their winnings back to the appeal, **Alexa and Taylor** for contributing the proceeds from their bracelet sales, and **Greenfield**, who sponsored the entire event.

Stay Connected: You can follow the Parish Lenten Project and other parish activities on Instagram at **@oliparishtolworth**. Throughout the year, we share photographs and videos from our fundraising events, together with updates from the charities we support, helping parishioners see the impact of their generosity and how their donations are making a difference to the lives of others.

There were two boys, one was named Mind Your Own Business & the other was named Trouble. One day they decided to play hide and seek. Trouble hid while Mind Your Own Business counted to one hundred. Mind Your Own Business began looking for his brother behind garbage cans and bushes. A police man approached him and asked, "What are you doing?" "Playing a game," he replied. "What is your name?" the officer questioned. "Mind Your Own Business." Furious, the policeman inquired, "Are you looking for trouble?!" The boy replied, "Why, yes."

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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LAST WEEKEND:

Gift-aid: £493.51

Non-Gift-aid: £430.7 Total: £923.57

Second Collection (PDF): £263.01

Weekly Collections

Total Collection For July 2026

Cash / cheques – £4535.29

1. Gift-Aided – £1,697.57

2. Non-G/A – £2,837.72

B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – £4,325.00

1. Gift-Aided – £4,125.50

2. Non-G/A – £200

C. Contactless Machine – £1,256.

Total = **£10,116.79** (Last month £11,624.88) *Thank you for supporting your Parish.*

Cheques: Please make payable to **RCAS Tolworth**.

*Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking: **RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05** IMPORTANT: Gift Aid: If you are a Gift Aid donor, please include your **Gift Aid number** in your online payment reference. If you are not registered for Gift Aid, kindly use "NGA" in the reference. **Need Help?** Contact **Lance Louis** at tolworthgac1@rcaos.org.uk or call **07851 070036**. *Thank you once again for your continued support.**



Prayer after receiving Exam result: Dear Lord, as I receive these exam results, with my friends and so many others; I thank you that our value is not based on how we did in this test, but on your Eternal Love for us. We can walk through this time together. May the breath of your Loving kindness, the Holy Spirit, be my helper and guide in the decisions that lie ahead of me, knowing that no matter what happens today you are always with me. Help me to relish the particular talents you have given me and to embrace your gift of life in all its fullness. With you there is help and patience. The path ahead may not be easily seen but I trust that you'll find the Way for me through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, pray for us.

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DISCIPLES
LAKE
GHOST
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BOAT
HEADWIND
FEAR
FAITH

PRAY
TERRIFIED
COURAGE
DOUBT

